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For: COOLING ARTICLE INVOLVING EVAPORATION OF WATER FROM A POLYMER
ABSORBENT



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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference no. 9 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. The references nos. 1, 2 and 5-8 were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information. The English-language Abstract of JP-8-71099 is also attached hereto.

- ☒ 4. Each of the references were cited by or submitted to the Office in parent application No. 09/227,889, filed January 11, 1999, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120. Thus, copies of these references are not attached. 37 CFR §1.98(d).

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